

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Amended) A method for accessing web pages on a network, wherein the network is coupled to a server computer and a user computer operated by a user, the user computer including a user input device and a display device, the method comprising:

transferring a portion of a web page from the server computer to the display device over the network, wherein the portion of the web page includes a selector allowing the user to concurrently select respective values for two or more dimensions;

detecting a user's choice by receiving information generated in response to signals from the user input device to indicate the value selected for each dimension chosen by the user;

identifying one or more web pages associated with information that meets all the respective values for the chosen dimensions; and

sending information about the identified web pages to the user computer;

wherein at least one of the identified web pages includes a plurality of portions;

and

wherein only portions that meet the respective values for the chosen dimensions are forwarded to the user computer.

2. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the selector includes pull-down lists, one for each dimension;

wherein the two or more dimensions include geographic location, corporate department, employee classification and time period; and

wherein each dimension is associated with a plurality of hierarchical values.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein information sent to the user computer is used to display a list of the identified web pages.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

accepting signals provided by a user via ~~from~~ the user input device to create a document, the document having a plurality of portions; and

accepting signals provided by the user via ~~from~~ the user input device to assign a value for at least one dimension to ~~associate each portion of the document with a value for at least one dimension~~, wherein a first portion of the document and a second portion of the document are associated with different values for the same dimension.

5. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 4, further comprising:
associating a user with one or more values for each dimension; and
using the user's associated one or more values as default values for each dimension associated with the created document.
6. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising:
defining a theme for associating documents with dimensions, wherein the theme is based on contents of the documents.
7. (Previously Amended) A user interface for accessing web pages on a network, the user interface using a user input device and display device, the user interface comprising:
selector means for displaying available values for a plurality of dimensions to a user;
detection means for accepting signals from the user interface device to detect respective values for two or more dimensions concurrently specified by the user;
selection means for selecting one or more web pages that meet all the respective values for the chosen dimensions, wherein at least one of the selected web pages includes a plurality of portions; and
display means for presenting a list of the selected web pages on the display device and displaying only portions that meet the respective values for the chosen dimensions.
8. (Previously Amended) A user interface for accessing web pages, the user interface comprising:
displaying a selector for selecting two or more dimensions to a user;
accepting signals from a user input device to select two or more of the dimensions concurrently specified by the user;
displaying a list of documents which are included in the selected dimensions, wherein at least one of the documents includes a plurality of portions, each portion being associated with two or more dimensions;

displaying only portions that are associated with the selected two or more dimensions.

9. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the two or more dimensions include geographic location, corporate department, and employee classification.

10. (Previously Amended) A method for searching documents in a computer network, the method comprising:

defining a plurality of dimensions, each dimension having one or more dimension values, wherein the one or more dimension values include one or more hierarchical values;

maintaining a document having a plurality of portions;

assigning a dimension value to each portion of the document, wherein a first dimension value assigned to a first portion is different from a second dimension value assigned to a second portion even though the first and second dimension values belong to the same dimension;

storing the plurality of portions of the document in a retrievable form;

indicating the plurality of dimensions to a user;

accepting input from the user specifying the respective dimension values associated with two or more dimensions; and

identifying only portions of the document to the user that meet the dimension values specified by the user.

11. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the plurality of dimensions include geographic location.

12. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the plurality of dimensions include corporate department.

13. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the plurality of dimensions include employee classification.

14. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the plurality of dimensions include time period.

15. (Previously Canceled)

16. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the user specification is

performed by means of a selector tool displayed on a graphical user interface to a digital processing system.

17-26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 10 further comprising:
maintaining a user coordinate associated with the user, the user coordinate including a plurality of dimension values;
wherein identifying only portions of the document to the user further comprises:
identifying a portion of the document to the user only if the portion of the document is associated with the user coordinate.

28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously Added) The method of claim 1 wherein identifying one or more web pages further comprises:
using one of a plurality of filtering methodologies to identify one or more web pages associated with information that meets all the respective values for the chosen dimensions.

30. (Previously Added) The method of claim 29 further comprising:
allowing the user to select the one of the plurality of filtering methodologies to be used to identify one or more web pages.

31. (Previously Added) The method of claim 29 wherein the plurality of filtering methodologies include strict filtering, ascending filtering and descending filtering.